

I Give
Bequeath One Negro Girl named Fanny to my Sister Leahy
I Leave and Bequeath One Negro Girl named Lucy to my Sister
Marianna Bonnet. 5. I Leave and Bequeath One little Negro
Girl named Mary to my Sister Abigail. 6. I Leave & Bequeath to
my Loving Brother Jonathan Five Pounds Currency 7. I Leave
and Bequeath unto my Brother Esaiak all my Woolen wear
apparel 8. The Remainder part of all my Slaves I leave and bequeath
between my Loving Wife and the Child which I suppose to be
with 9. I Leave and Bequeath to the Child if it live my Plantation
Containing two Hundred and forty Acres of Land commonly called
by the Name of Grover's but if it please God it should be I leave and
bequeath the said Land to my Loving Wife and her heirs for ever
I Leave and Bequeath to M. Smith. Meeting ten Pounds Currency
for five years. 10. I Leave and Bequeath likewise two Hundred
Acres of Land to my Loving Wife, whose Iurs to Law with all
the premises thereof 11. I Nominate and appoint my Loving
Wife to be Executor to this my Last Will and Testament. Making
all others Null and Void

Given under my hand & Seal this 7th day of
July 1738 Abijah Ruff. Cl.

In Presence of us
Lewis Timothy
Ph. Macey
Dav. Delespand

Before me James Michie by Vice
of a Notary Public from the Hon. William Bull Esq.
President & Ordinary of this Province to me directed
Personally Came and appeared on the 15th day of January
1738 Philip Macey and David Delespand two of the Witnesses
to the within and above Instrument ~~and~~ ~~and~~ ~~and~~
who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists declared they were

and saw the above and within named Abijah Ruff the Testator
an Adult Publick and declared the same to be his own last Will &
Testament and that he was at the time of being and disposing
of his Memory & Understanding to the last of the Dependent Church
and Bishop and that they morally together with Lewis Timothy signed
his Name as Witnesses for him in presence of the said
Notary

James Michie

Given & sworn the 12th day of December 1709

William Holmes (of St. John Island) last Will & Testament

In the Name of God Amen William
Holmes of St. John Island in Colleton County in the Province of
Carolina Planter being sick in Body but of perfect Mind and
Memory and knowing the Breveity of life and uncertain how
it may please God to deal with me Do make this my Last Will and
Testament in manner & form following First I commend
my Spirit to God who gave it in sure I have a hope of
Resurrection And my Body to be decently Buried at the discretion
my Executor hereafter named And my worldly goods which
he has pleased to bestow on me I dispose of in manner & form following
I premise my Will is that all my Last debts and Funerals
Expenses be first satisfied and paid out of my Estate with all convenient
speed by my Executor hereafter named Item I leave to my well
beloved Wife Mary Holmes the use of the Plantation & house where
we now Live During her Widowhood she paying the the yearly
Rents & Taxes thereof whilst she dwells thereon Also One Negro Woman
named Phippy Item I Give & Bequeath to my two sons William
John Holmes their heirs and assigns for ever the Plantation or
Tract of Land whereon I now live at St. John's One Hundred
and forty Acres to be equally divided Between them when my Son John
shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years Item I Give & Bequeath to
my Friend James Inguitt his heirs & assigns for ever the One
half of a Tract of Land of One hundred & twenty Acres (understanding
only) Provided he the said Inguitt beal One half of the Charges of
maintaining the said Land procuring a Grant & Defending the same

The said land being in Caticah Creek and his part running
 from his own land whereon he now lives the other half of the said
 Tract my Will is that be sold by my Executors hereafter named
 for the discharge of my just Debts and that in at least two years
 after my Death from all the Debt & Residue of my Estate both
 Real & Personal I Give and Bequeath to my above mentioned
 four sons William, John, Peter & Daniel share & share alike or to
 the survivors of them. As they shall respectively come to the age of
 twenty One year. Item my Will is that in case of my four Children
 should die before they shall arrive to the age of twenty One year
 then & in such case the Share of both Real & Personal shall fall
 and be equally Divided between & among the survivors of them &
 to have alike Lastly I Do hereby nominate and appoint my
 Loving Father in Law John Hearse my Loving Brother Peter
 Hyams Joseph Hamyarnes & Thomas Kept my Executors to the
 Last Will and Testament Revoking & Making void all former Wills
 or Wills hereof by me made hereby Publishing & Declaring
 this to be my Last Will & Testament whereof I have subscribed
 with my hand and fixed my Seal to two Sheets of Paper the first of
 which in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred
 thirty and four

Signed Sealed & Delivered

(By William Holmes) as his Last

Will & Testament in the presence of

us
 Rich^d R. Floyd
 Tho^s Roberts
 Ja. Matthews

South Carolina Before me James Michie Esq^r
 by virtue of a Commission & Statute from the Gov^r William Bull
 Esq^r Lieutenant Govern^r of ordinary et of this Province to me directed
 Personally came & appeared James Matthews On the 10th day of
 April 1789 One of the above Witnesses to the above Instrument of Writing

My being duly sworn On the 10th day of April 1789 that he was
 present When the above & within named Wm Holmes the Testator
 signed & Delivered the same to be & contain his last Will and Testament
 and that he was at the same time of sound Mind disposing of his
 Understanding to the best of the Dep^t & und^rstand^g & being of
 the same time his last Will & Testament as he made & Thomas Robert
 his name as Witness for the same in presence of the said Testator

Recorded this 18th day of Dec^r 1789

In The Name of God Amen The 15th day of
 July in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and thirty
 four J^r Thomas Guild of S^t Pauls in Colleton County in the Province
 of South Carolina Planter (being very sick and weak in Body though
 in Perfect Mind and Memory thanks be Given unto God therefore
 Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing that it is
 appointed for all men Once to dye do make & Ordain that my Last
 Will and Testament That is to say principally & first of all I bequeath
 my Soul into the hands of God that gave it And I commend
 it to the Death to be Buried in a Christianlike & Decent manner
 & the direction of my Executors Nothing Doubting but at the General
 Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Right of promise
 & God and as touching such Town & City Estate & herewith it has been
 pleased God to Bless me in this Life I have Bequeath and do give
 of the same in the following manner & form To wit First I Will
 that my whole Estate be sold at Publick Sale to the Best advantage
 and all my Debts paid Out of the same by my Executors and otherwise
 constitute make and Ordain M^r John Adkinson and M^r Alexander
 Smith my Only Executors and after all and all Debts due to me that
 can be recovered by my Executors either here or many other where
 then the Rest or Remainder of my Estate to be Returned to my wife
 and her Children in fullland in the Parish of Glamis and make
 constitute & Ordain the aforesaid John Adkinson & Alexander
 Smith my Only Executors of this my last Will and Testament
 I do thereby Utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every